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Special Announcement

New Federal Grant Application Requirement.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has directed all federal agencies to require all federal grant applicants to provide a Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number when applying for federal grants or cooperative agreements. The DUNS number, which will help to improve the statistical reporting of federal grants and cooperative agreements, will be required whether an applicant is submitting a paper or electronic application. DUNS numbers will be required as of October 1, 2003. Organizations can receive a DUNS number at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free DUNS Number request line at 1-866-705-5711 or by visiting <http://www.dnb.com/us/>.

Federal Opportunities

Health Center Network Planning and

Development Grants. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* announces funds to support planning and development of management networks or managed care networks or plans through the Integrated Service Development Initiative. Eligible applicants include community health care centers, health care for the homeless, public housing primary care and school-based health centers. The deadline for applications is August 29, 2003. Approximately \$7.9 million is available. For further information, contact Lisa Dolan-Branton at (301) 594-4306 or Ldolan@hrsa.gov; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-19504.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

In-Home Environmental Asthma Education. *The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)* announces funds for in-home asthma education projects, which lead to the direct education of children and their families about environmental triggers in their home. Eligible applicants include community-based organizations, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, and state, county and local health departments. The deadline for applications is September 26, 2003. Approximately \$21,000 is available to fund awards ranging from \$6,000-\$15,000. For further information, contact Darice Ellis at (215) 814-2024 or ellis.darice@epa.gov; or go to: http://www.epa.gov/reg3artd/Indoor/asthma_school_rfa.htm#deadline. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

In-School Environmental Asthma Education. *The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)* announces funds to conduct environmental asthma trigger management education to elementary and/or middle school aged children in a school setting. Eligible applicants include school districts, schools, community-based organizations, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, and state, county and local health departments. The deadline for applications is September 26, 2003. Approximately \$19,000 is available for awards ranging from \$7,500-\$11,500. For further information, contact Darice Ellis at (215) 814-2024 or ellis.darice@epa.gov; or go to: http://www.epa.gov/reg3artd/Indoor/asthma_school_rfa.htm#deadline. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

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Special Education--Research and Innovation to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities.

The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) announces funds to produce and advance the use of knowledge to improve results of education and early intervention for infants, toddlers and children with disabilities. Eligible applicants include private nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, state educational agencies and local educational agencies. The deadline for applications is September 29, 2003. Approximately \$1.315 million is available to fund 2 awards, ranging from \$205,000-\$700,000. For further information, contact Grants and Contracts Services at (202) 205-8207 or go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-19083.htm>.

This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Special Education--Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities.

The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) announces funds to provide technical assistance and information to improve early intervention, educational, and transitional services and results for children with disabilities and their families. Eligible applicants include private nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, institutions of higher education, state educational agencies and local education agencies. The deadline for applications is September 29, 2003. Approximately \$3 million is available for awards ranging from \$600,000-\$1.7 million. For further information, contact Grants and Contracts Services at (202) 205-8207 or go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-19083.htm>.

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Special Education--Technology and Media

Services for Individuals with Disabilities. *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to: 1) improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration and use of technology; 2) support educational media activities designed to be of

educational value to children with disabilities; and 3) provide support for some captioning, video description, and cultural activities. Eligible applicants include private nonprofit organizations, and state and local educational agencies. The deadline for applications is September 29, 2003. Approximately \$1.73 million is available for awards ranging from \$110,000-\$600,000. For further information, contact Grants and Contracts Services at (202) 205-8207 or go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-19083.htm>.

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District Opportunities

Grant-In-Aid. *The Historic Preservation Office (HPO)* announces the availability of matching grant funds for activities consistent with the priorities established under the DC Historic Preservation Plan. Funding is for Round I Open-Projects that include the following priority areas: Survey and Inventory; National Register; Education/Outreach; Predevelopment/ Planning; Archaeology; and Other Activities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, private individuals (as contractors to the HPO), or groups working in partnership with nonprofits, institutions of higher learning, and other agencies of the DC government. The deadline for applications is October 17, 2003, at 3pm.

Approximately \$160,000 is available to fund grants ranging from \$3,500-\$35,000. Applications may be obtained from HPO at 801 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 3000, Washington, DC 20002. For further information, call (202) 442-8800.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.htm for the following notices:

The DC Commission on National and Community Service (DC-CNCS), Youth Service Projects, due August 4, 2003.

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The Department of Human Services (DHS), Family Violence Prevention Services Grant, due August 18, 2003.

The Department of Health (DOH)/HIV/AIDS Administration (HAA), Capacity Building for HIV/AIDS and Other Housing Providers, due August 29, 2003, at 5pm.

The Office on Aging (OA), Lead Agency Grant Program, due September 5, 2003, at 5pm.

Foundation Opportunities

Arts on Radio and Television. *The National Endowment for the Arts*, through its Funding for Arts on Radio and Television category, seeks to make the excellence and diversity of the arts widely available to the American public through nationally distributed television and radio programs. Grants are available to support the development, production, and national distribution of radio and television programs on the arts. Priority will be given to artistically excellent programs that have the potential to reach a significant national audience. All phases of a project — research and development, production, completion, and distribution costs — are eligible for support. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and units of state or local government. The deadline for applications is September 12, 2003. For further information or to access the application, go to: <http://www.nea.gov/guide/RadioTV/RTVindex.html>.

Pregnancy and Smoking Rates. *The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation*, through its Phase III of “Smoke-Free Families: Innovations to Stop Smoking During and Beyond Pregnancy,” supports studies that will increase knowledge about the behaviors associated with cigarette smoking and will develop smoking cessation interventions to reduce smoking rates among women before, during, and after pregnancy. The ultimate goal is to increase the number of women who quit smoking and remain smoke-free, thus improving their own health, the health of their children, and the health of other family members. Of special interest are studies that test innovative interventions to help parents of young children quit smoking, to substantially reduce the amount they smoke, and to avoid exposing young children to secondhand smoke. Eligible applicants include public entities, nonprofit organizations,

private organizations, and public-private partnerships such as those between community-based clinics, health plans, and university-based researchers. The deadline for applications is August 26, 2003. Up to five two-year Observational Studies (generating hypotheses) will be funded at approximately \$200,000 each; and up to seven two-year Pilot Studies (studies demonstrating feasibility of an intervention) will be funded at \$250,000 each. For further information, go to: <http://www.smokefreefamilies.org/>.

Public Interest Litigation. *The Impact Fund* supports public interest litigation that will potentially benefit a large number of people, lead to significant law reform, or raise the public consciousness. Grants are made in the general areas of poverty law, environmental justice, elimination of discrimination, and civil and human rights. In addition, the board has designated specific priorities in the criminal or immigration, education access, and equity areas. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for pre-applications is August 27, 2003, and full applications are due on September 4, 2003. Grants typically range from \$10,000-\$15,000. For more information or to access the application, go to: <http://www.impactfund.org/guide.html>.

Women's Fitness. *The Women's Sports Foundation and RYKA*, an athletic footwear manufacturing company, have joined together to provide fitness grants that enhance women's lives through health and fitness-related programs. Grantees must conduct education programs, produce educational materials, provide fitness participation opportunities, or provide other services that increase women's participation in fitness activities. Programs must serve primarily women ages twenty-five and over. Eligible applicants include organizations that encourage women to be healthy and fit. The deadline for applications is August 15, 2003. For further information or to access the application, go to: <http://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/cgi-bin/iowa/funding/index.html>.

Resources & Announcements

Save the Date. *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development, in partnership with the Washington Council of Agencies*, announces its 5th Annual Public-Private Partnership conference to be

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held on October 21, 2003. This year's theme will be "Partnerships: Creating Opportunities for All." The all day conference will include informational and "how to" sessions on a variety of topics such as area funding trends and strategies, e-grants, volunteer recruitment, board development, evaluation, and more. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details.

2003 Summer Feeding Program. *The State Education Office (SEO)* has launched the 2003 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) in DC. This initiative, promoted as "Come To the Table", which runs June 23-August 29, provides children up to age 18 and people with disabilities with well-balanced meals throughout the summer months. To date, this program has served over 400,000. The goal of the SEO is to ensure that 1 million meals are served in summer 2003, which is an increase from the over 800,000 meals served in summer 2002. To locate a Summer Meal Service Center (SMSC) in your community, check with your local school, recreation center, and community or faith-based organizations. For further information, please call the SFSP Summer Hotline at (202) 724-7726.

Children's Well-Being. *Child Trends and the Annie E. Casey Foundation* conducted a series of polls to get a better understanding of what American adults know about how children in the U.S. are faring. Three recent polls show that the public is generally misinformed about the well-being of children. They regularly overestimate social and economic problems among American children, and they are unaware of progress made during the last decade on several key indicators of well-being. "The fact that so much of the public overestimates problems among children and youth does not mean that serious problems don't exist," said Kristin Moore, Ph.D., president of Child Trends. "However, it does indicate that the public is unaware of the progress that has been made by parents, communities and government during the last ten years. And it shows that the public holds more negative perceptions about children's well-being than the facts would warrant." The findings from the polls are summarized in a new Child Trends research brief, *How Children Are Doing: The Mismatch Between Public Perception and Statistical Reality*, at: www.childtrends.org/PDF/PublicPerceptionsRB.pdf. A complete report is also available at: www.childtrends.org/PDF/PublicPerPaper.pdf.

Common Grant Application Format. *Washington Grantmakers* is in the early stages of revising its Common Grant Application and would like to get input from area nonprofits about their experiences with the format. To that end, there will be a community-wide meeting in early September (watch for an announcement of date, place, and time). In the meantime, Washington Grantmakers is interested in your comments on *specific improvements*. Please send comments no later than August 15th to Maddie Krug at krug@washingtongrantmakers.org. To access the current format, go to: http://www.washingtongrantmakers.org/WG/GM_Resources/Format/Format_Index.asp.

Key questions are:

1. Is there duplication of information within different sections? If so, can you suggest an alternative?
2. What specific section or sections do you find the most difficult to understand?
3. Is there a specific section that you would expand or emphasize?
4. If you have applied for funding for a capital campaign or general operating support: are there specific changes or additions you would make to more closely relate it to your request?
5. Is there something missing from the format, or some part of your organization's "story" that cannot be accommodated by the current format?
6. What sections of the application do you think work well?

Fundraising for Small Nonprofit Boards. *The Foundation Center* will offer "Your Board and Fundraising: An Introductory Class for Small Nonprofits." The purpose of the class is to systematically think through the process of getting your board involved with fundraising. This process involves some key elements: the role of your board; how to address board members' concerns about fundraising; ways the board can participate in the fundraising process; and tips for strengthening your fundraising board. This class will be held on Thursday, August 21, from 2-3:30pm, and on Friday, September 26, from 12-1:30pm, at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, Third Floor, NW, Washington, DC. This program is offered free of charge but space is limited. To register, call (202)

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331-1400 or go to:

<http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/ybfdc.html>.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).

The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The GIRC provides technical assistance that connects DC Government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations to information about resources that improve community services in the city. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but does require an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

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